

Heart of an Athlete – September 2010



Name: Drew Prescott

Age: 17

Hometown: Urbandale, IA

School: Urbandale High School

FCA Role: Student-Athlete Officer

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List your chosen attribute: Perseverance

What is your personal definition of this word?

Working hard at all costs, even when it seems I am not succeeding.

What are some of your favorite quotes from other people about this word?

Perseverance is the hard work you do after you get tired of doing the hard work you already did.

What is your favorite Biblical passage that deals with this characteristic?

Isaiah 40:29-31--²⁹ He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. ³⁰ Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; ³¹ but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Why did you choose that particular passage?

This passage is the essence of perseverance, because it shows how God is always on my side. He is there to renew my strength when I'm struggling, and he reminds me to continue working hard.

Please give an application/example of this word in your life.

This summer in Cross Country it would have been easy to take workouts lightly and not reach my fullest potential, but because I persevered through every hard workout I know that He will bless me this upcoming season.

How do you apply this word in your sport?

With running, perseverance becomes essential to succeed, because you must work hard throughout the year, only to try and out-sprint another runner in the last mile of a 3.1-mile race. In a race, there is only one winner, so if you do not have the perseverance to work hard then it is tough to succeed.

How did you become first become involved in FCA?

I began attending Urbandale High School's FCA when I was a freshman, after being introduced to it by my family and other upperclassmen at the high school.

How active within FCA are you?

This will be my third year as an FCA officer for Urbandale's FCA. I look forward to attending FCA in college.

What is your athletic experience?

Varsity Cross Country
Varsity Basketball (Guard)
Varsity Track (Distance Runner)

Sports Achievements:

25th at 2009 State Cross Country Meet
4th at 2008 State Cross Country Meet (Team)
11th at 2010 State Track Mile
12th at 2010 State 4x800

Favorite Bible verse: Proverbs 40:29-31

Favorite sport: Cross Country

Favorite Sports Teams: Iowa Hawkeyes, Indianapolis Colts

Favorite Pastimes: Golf

Favorite Music Groups: TobyMac, Lecrae

Who is your athletic role model? David Robinson

Have you signed the Team FCA Competitor's Creed? Yes

The biggest concerns facing youth today are: Failure to work hard

The biggest concerns facing Christian youth today are: Being Luke-warm Christians

Future goals: Become a Pharmacist, Run in college

